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SDSU Football Spring Game Quotes

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Head coach Rocky Long

Opening statement:

"I thought there was some really good things. Obviously when we watch the film we might see some things we don't like. We divided the team up in half and the teams were pretty equal. I guess the score was 15-0, so, one team had the advantage but I thought it was a pretty even scrimmage."

On quarterback play:

"I thought all of them did a little something good. I thought Mark Salazar threw the ball the best out of the three. It sure looked like that to me and I had a pretty good view. I was up in the box up there watching. I thought he moved the ball well but his teams didn't score and it's all about scoring."

On fumbled snaps in the game:

"You'd like to go through a game or a scrimmage with no turnovers. But then if you're on defense you're glad you got some turnovers. Obviously, whenever a quarterback makes a mistake like that it hurts his chances of playing."

On the progression of the spread formation:

"I thought in the first half we didn't throw it very much but I don't think we threw it worth a darn in the first half. I thought the quarterbacks started throwing the ball better in the second half."

On the best part of today's spring game:

"The weather was beautiful and it was nice to see this many people out here."

On what he saw today that can help the team moving forward:

"Anytime you can practice and play at a high level of competition, which a scrimmage is — it's really live football, all of that helps you. What you see out here is not what our team is going to look like because the team was divided up in half. You're not seeing the people that are going to be starting or be playing together in a game. So it's hard to tell when you scrimmage like this it's hard to tell what kind of team you're going to have. It's almost impossible to tell."

On Kobe Smith's performance:

"I thought he did a nice job going up and getting the ball. We're going to need somebody to step up and be a big time receiver and I thought he had the best day of them."

On offensive line's performance:

"Well they got a lot of reps. The offensive line, there's probably a couple of them that had 70 or 80 snaps and that's a whole bunch of (snaps) for an offensive lineman. A lot of times it was back-to-back. They went from one team and just walked over and started playing for the other team. So it's difficult on them, but we'll have a lot more offensive linemen that are healthy and they won't have to do that in the fall."

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